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LETTER DATED 29 JULY 1994 FROM THE ACTING PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE OF GERMANY TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE SECURITY COUNCIL

I have the honour to transmit to you herewith the text of a declaration by the European Union on Tajikistan, issued on 28 July 1994.

I should be grateful if you could have the text of the present letter and its annex circulated as a document of the Security Council.

(Signed) Gerhard HENZE
Ambassador

Annex

[Original: English and French]

Declaration on Tajikistan issued on 28 July 1994 on behalf of the European Union by its Presidency

The European Union, referring to its declarations on Tajikistan dated 29 June and 23 July 1993, as well as to its press communiqué of 17 May 1994, reiterates the necessity for a peaceful settlement of the present conflict in Tajikistan without further delay.

The European Union therefore calls not only on the parties immediately involved in the conflict to stop the violence, but also on States in the region to use their contacts to urge the parties to the conflict to pursue their political objectives through peaceful means only.

The European Union calls on all participants to come to an understanding at the next round of talks scheduled to be held at Islamabad and to agree to an early cessation of hostilities.

The European Union believes that progress can only be made if the Government of Tajikistan shows its willingness to initiate a genuine process of democratization, eventually leading to national reconciliation. To this end, the European Union urges the Tajik parties to make full use of the Mission of the Conference on Security and Cooperation in Europe (CSCE) in Dushanbe. It stresses the need for a constitution and an electoral law which take into account agreed CSCE principles. The European Union hopes that, eventually, after a certain period of transition, free and fair elections in accordance with CSCE principles can be held in Tajikistan.

The acceding countries Austria and Sweden associate themselves with this statement.